



# ***The Daily Gremlin***

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## **Day In Review C/1<sup>st</sup> Lt Tim Merhar**

Today we started another adventurous day at the Minnesota Wing Encampment. The basic cadets began the day with physical training inside at the base gym. This was very beneficial to the cadets because there were no swarms of mosquitoes attacking them.

The next thing that the cadets did was have flight time where they learned about drill. After some time the cadets were also given time to clean their rooms so that they up would try to meet the encampment standard.



**Missile Wing Building**

Around a half an hour later the cadets were marched to the Missile Wing building where they had moral leadership and cadet programs classes. The basic cadets received briefings by the local Air Force ROTC Detachment, the Air National Guard, and by an Air Force Recruiter.



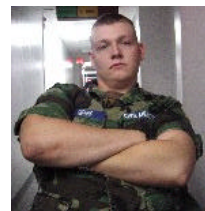
**Maj Todd Mandel briefs cadets on the Cadet Program.** Basic Cadets also participated in classes on the CAP cadet program and another session of moral leadership.

Lately they have been cleaning their rooms and uniforms in preparation for the first inspection in their blue uniforms. Yesterday the basics were inspected in BDU's and that was challenging. This inspection will be very challenging to the cadets.

We are all looking forward to a good night of sleep.

Have a good night,

C/1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Tim Merhar  
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## **Interview with a Grenke**

(This is the first in a series of interviews with group staff members.)

C/Lt Col Seth Grenke, 3<sup>rd</sup> CTG/XO

**When and why did you join CAP?** I joined in September of 1995 at the McCloud County Fair and I went by a recruiting booth for the Hutchinson Comp. Squadron. Where I was recruited by then C/TSgt now Captain Chet Wilberg. I joined because I was interested in flying and wanted to be a pilot in the military.

**What is the role of the Executive officer/support staff at this encampment?** The executive officer basically leads the support staff. The support staff are a group of specialists in their areas such as logistics or administration so that the rest of the staff can focus on training the basic cadets. The support staff makes the encampment run by providing flight commanders and flight sergeants the tools they need to train the basic cadets.

**What was your basic encampment like?** My basic encampment was in 1996, and we were the last encampment to be held at Liberty Square which is located behind the Airey Dining Facility. Captain McTie was my flight commander and Captain Kellsvig was my

Tactical Officer. The base seemed a lot bigger back then because the Missile Wing was still active at the base. I remember being shocked when I arrived at encampment by all the officers at the encampment and myself being a Technical Sergeant.

**What are your plans after you are done being a Cadet member of the CAP?**

I plan on becoming a Senior Member in CAP. This year I will have to be less active in the program because of commitments at the University of Duluth where I will be a junior this fall. That's all she wrote.

**Nice Hair Cut, Cadet**



**"Nice do. Just like mine." Said the LT to the barber!**

This is an encampment tradition. Every year several cadets need haircuts. They are taken to the barber as a group and are known as the "Hair Cut Club" This is all in good fun. Pictures coming to the web tonight.



**Members of the "Hair Cut Club" getting a trim.**

**Tomorrow's Schedule**

Armory – Confidence Course – CATM  
KC 135 Aircraft Tour  
Physical Fitness Testing  
Squadron and Group Volleyball Competitions



**Col David Gray, Commander of the 319<sup>th</sup> Air refueling Wing welcomes cadets to Grand Forks AFB.**

**Some Leading Papers' Coverage of Custer's Massacre**

**Variety:** "Custer Closes Out of Town"

**Pravda:** "Big Red Victory."

**Sports Illustrated:** "Indians Win Series"

**Women's Wear Daily:** "Feathers Make Comeback"

**Reader's Digest:** "Sitting Bull Reveals New Cure for Dandruff"

**The Washington Post:** "Custer Loses Rural Vote"

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